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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002, please consider the amendments and remarks below:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend independent claims 1, 34, and 44 as follows:

- 1 1. A pre-paid airline ticket comprising a record of an advance-purchase of an airline  
2 ticket for a fixed price to be utilized by a customer to book a flight, the pre-paid airline ticket  
3 including an identifier, the identifier uniquely identifying the pre-paid airline ticket and operable  
4 to be utilized by the customer to book a flight, and, associated with the identifier, a plurality of

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